

Atty. Dkt. No. 026032-3870

### IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:

Gort, Dale A.

Title:

STORAGE SYSTEM FOR A

**VEHICLE** 

Appl. No.:

10/041,654

Filing Date:

01/04/2002

Examiner:

Brevard, Maerena W.

Art Unit:

3727

Mail Stop AMENDMENT Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450

Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

# CERTIFICATE OF EXPRESS MAILING I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service's "Express Mail Post Office To Addressee" service under 37 C.F.R. § 1.10 on the date indicated below and is addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, PO Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450. EV 431582298 US 5/10/04 (Express Mail Label Number) (Date of Deposit) Carolyn Simpson (Printed Name) (Signature)

## REPLY AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

This Reply and Amendment is responsive to the Non-Final Office Action dated February 27, 2004, concerning the above-referenced patent application.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this document.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this document.

Please amend the Application as follows:

RECEIVED
MAY 1 3 2004
TECHNOLOGY CENTER R3700



### IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:

Gort, Dale A.

Title:

STORAGE SYSTEM FOR A

**VEHICLE** 

Appl. No.:

10/041,654

Filing Date:

01/04/2002

Examiner:

Brevard, Maerena W.

Art Unit:

3727

CERTIFICATE OF EXPRESS MAILING

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service's "Express Mail Post Office To Addressee" service under 37 C.F.R. § 1.10 on the date indicated below and is addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

EV 431582298 US

5/10/04

(Express Mail Label Number)

(Date of Deposit)

Carolyn Simpson

(Printed Name)

for Sim

### AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

Mail Stop AMENDMENT Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 RECEIVED MAY 1 3 2004

TECHNOLOGY CENTER R3700

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

# [X] The fee required for additional claims is calculated below:

	Claims As Amended		Previously Paid For		Extra Claims Present		Rate		Additional Claims Fee
Total Claims:	33	-	38	=	0	х	\$18.00	=	,\$0.00
Independent Claims:	4	-	4 ,	=	0	x	\$86.00	=	. \$0.00
First p	oresentation	of a	ny Multiple I	Deper	ndent Claims:	+	\$290.00	=	\$0.00
					CLAIMS	FEI	E TOTAL	=	\$0.00

.[	] Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under total number of months checked below:	37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)	) for the	
[	] Extension for response filed within the first month:	\$110.00	\$0.00	
[	] Extension for response filed within the second month:	\$420.00	\$0.00	
[	] Extension for response filed within the third month:	\$950.00	\$0.00	
[ .	] Extension for response filed within the fourth month:	\$1,480.00	\$0.00	
[	] Extension for response filed within the fifth month:	\$2,010.00	\$0.00	
	EXTENSION FEE TOTAL:			
[	] Statutory Disclaimer Fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.20(d):	\$110.00	\$0.00	
	CLAIMS, EXTENSION AND DISCLAIMER FEE TOTAL:			
[	] Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½ of above):			
	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	TOTAL FEE:	\$0.00	

[X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1447. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 06-1447. If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, applicant hereby petitions for such extension under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 06-1447.

Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned attorney or agent at the address indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

Date

MAY 10, 2004

FOLEY & LARDNER LLP Customer Number: 26371

Telephone: (414) 297-5591 Facsimile: (414) 297-4900

Ву

John M. Lazarus Attorney for Applicant Registration No. 48,367